GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:110
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RECOMMENDATION OF BONUS FOR KHARIF SEASON
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices has recommended a bonus ofRs.20 per quintal over and above Minimum Support Price (MSP) for Kharif this season;

(b) if so, the response of the Government thereon; and

(c) the extra expenditure involved in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): The additionality of Special Drought Relief Price announced by the Governmentis based on the recommendation of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices, whichtook into account the losses suffered by farmers in un-irrigated areas and the additional expenditure incurred by the farmers in irrigated areas. The tentative estimate of additional expenditure on the procurement of rice during the current kharif season on account of this amounts to Rs.400 crores.